

In the Abstract

Please amend the abstract as indicated in the marked-up copy of the specification and substitute specification. The as-amended abstract does not contain any new matter.

In the Claims

Please amend claims 7 and 8 to read as follows. A marked-up copy of these claims showing additions and deletions is attached hereto.

7. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 6, in which the substrate is subsequently slit along either said first or said second direction to provide a plurality of lengths of tape having respective permanently structured magnetic patterns which vary in a single direction in the plane of the tape.

8. (Amended) A magnetic record carrier comprising a length of tape made according to the method of claim 6.

Please add the following new claims:

10. (New) A method as claimed in claim 1, in which the substrate is subsequently slit along either said first or said second direction to provide a plurality of lengths of tape having respective permanently structured magnetic patterns which vary in a single direction in the plane of the tape.

11. (New) A magnetic record carrier comprising a length of tape made according to the method of claim 1.

12. (New) A document or other article having a magnetic record carrier according to claim 11 attached to it or embedded in it.